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- 1. Several East German policemen in the area between Dresden and Cottbus were shot about 15 October 1953 while conducting routine document checks. The police allegedly believe that the shooting was done by Czechs who participated in an uprising in Czechoslovakia in June 1953 and fled to the Russian zone of Germany because controls were lighter on the Czech-East German border than on the Czech-West German border.
- 2. As a result of these incidents, the Cottbus area, the Autobahnen, etc. have been checked by whole units of the Volkspolizei. The checks have been concerned with documents only. One case is reported of a person who encountered such checks seven times on one trip to Berlin on the Autobahn.

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